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JEWS QUARREL OVER JAFFA

Terrorists Reprimanded By Hagana

Contemplate Possibility Of War

Washington, Apr. 26. It was disclosed today that the Defence Secretary (Mr. James Forrestal) believes the United States must "contemplate the possibility of war" in making United States military plans.

And the Army Chief of Staff (General Omar Bradley) admits military leaders are a "little bit more afraid something will happen than we were three months ago."

These candid statements on current military thinking were made to the Senate Armed Forces Committee last Wednesday when the defence chiefs first presented their compromise 46-group air force plan.

Senator Chin Gurney today made public the transcript of a secret session with some delegations.

Mr. Forrestal told Senators he believed present world tensions "are permanent." He said last year military leaders based plans on the "assumption of no immediate danger of war."

"We think now that we have to contemplate the possibility of war," General Bradley agreed. He said that up to two or three months ago the Army did not envisage any immediate war danger. He added, "We are not sure now that there will be no war right away."—United Press.

Strike Threatens Milan

Milan, Apr. 26. A general strike threatened the largest Italian industrial city today following last night's riot in which one policeman was killed and over 25 persons injured.

The Communist-controlled Milan Chamber of Labour met last night immediately after the riot to consider a strike to protest the "police provocation" in taking action against unauthorised demonstrations by uniformed partisans. Having failed to reach agreement the Chamber resumed deliberation this morning.

Less serious riots than those in Milan occurred last night in Turin and Brescia when extreme leftist partisans held unauthorised strikes in commemoration of the third anniversary of the liberation.

In Brescia, over ten persons were injured when jeep-riding police, swinging night-sticks, charged defiant partisans.—United Press.

Singapore Strike Broken

Singapore, Apr. 26. Unloading of ships was again under way today in Singapore Harbour, paralysed by strikes for nine days.

Members of two small Chinese unions with a total membership of about 1,350 men returned to work. But the Singapore Harbour Labour Union, which claims 6,000 members, remained on strike.

Harbour officials said normal unloading is under way on all eight ships alongside, but they declined to announce the number of workers back.

The separate strike by lighter stevedores also appeared to have been broken. One thousand stevedores today were unloading ships in the roads outside the harbour area.

Individual settlements were reached with unions by 16 out of 20 lighter contractors. It was announced.—Associated Press.

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UN Plans For Jerusalem

Jerusalem, Apr. 26.

The Jewish offensive against Jaffa was resumed today by Irgun Zvai Leumi terrorists despite repeated requests—which threatened to erupt into clashes—by Hagana to leave the Arab city alone.

The clatter of gunfire, explosions of bombs and mortars began about 11 a.m. and subsided after about an hour.

Casualties could not be immediately learned. Bullets from Jaffa hit high buildings inside Tel-Aviv.

Jaffa has been one of the most persistent trouble spots in Palestine since hostilities broke out after the United Nations voted for partition.

A Hagana spokesman today denied the reported encirclement of Lydda airport. Officials of the Palestine Government said British police still occupied the airfield.

A flare-up at Lydda is expected as soon as the British evacuate the airport.

Arabs Flee
The police said a thousand Arabs fled yesterday as the Jews battered the city with mortars in the fiercest attack of the five-month "war."

The police Superintendent (J.M. Flanagan) said at least four persons were killed and 82 wounded as the Irgunists' mortars, firing from No Man's Land between Jaffa and Tel-Aviv, hammered the heart of the Jaffa business section.

Mr. Flanagan said Irgun forces were reported driven back after seizing the railway station and the big Manshih police station and had not been able to hold any part of the Arab city.

A Hagana broadcast last night accused the Irgun of "including in dangerous adventures."

To Safeguard Jerusalem
At Lake Success, the United Nations General Assembly today began to take priority action to safeguard Jerusalem, and make the Holy City an island of peace in embattled Palestine.

The Political and Security Committee of the Assembly dropped for the time being discussion of the overall Palestine problem. It turned to the heavily backed French proposal which would authorise immediate steps to place Jerusalem and its Christian, Moslem and Jewish holy places in the care of the United Nations.

The Committee convened with the understanding it will not tackle the main Palestine problem until the matter of Jerusalem had been disposed of. Concentration on the Holy City drove home the belief here it may be impossible for the United Nations to form a new government for Palestine in the 25 days left before Great Britain ends her mandate and removes all responsibility for the Holy Land.

Meanwhile, Russia ended her long boycott of the Trusteeship Council, the agency which would be responsible for governing Palestine under the American trusteeship plan.

Semen Tsarapkin, the Soviet's Palestine expert, was named to represent Russia on the Council.—United Press.

Acres Shelled
Beirut, Apr. 26. A refugee from Acre told United Press that Hagana shelled Acre for five hours early today. He said two buildings were damaged by shell fire which came from Nabariya, ten kilometers from Acre, and Mishmar Hayon, three kilometers from Acre.

The refugee said a schooner mounting mortars also joined the firing. Hagana men, the informant said, were driven back by the Acre defenders when they reached the outskirts of the town.

Because of the prevailing tension Passover this year was observed by the Jews in a restrained manner.

In Tel-Aviv not only have many families no relatives from other parts of the country with whom but members of their own families are also absent on "duty," some near home and some in remote settlements.

As in the days of the exodus itself the people had no time to leave their bread and many Passover meals were prepared rather hurriedly.

In Jerusalem, no Jew could go to the Walling Wall. Near the Wall 1,500 Jews in the ghetto faced a hostile population of Arab neighbours—35,000 strong and ready to march into the Jewish quarters when word comes from the Arab High Command.

In Tel-Aviv no Arabs came from Jaffa. They traditionally do on the eve of Passover to buy left-over bread.

The big market in the Mea Shearim quarter of Jerusalem was less well provided than in previous years.

In the market of Tel-Aviv, on the border of the twin cities, the streets had high walls built across them at many points to keep out Arab bullets. They left only a small passage with warning posters "Danger: do not proceed beyond this point."—United Press.

New Birth Certificate Ordinance

An Ordinance to provide for an "additional" type of birth certificate is to have its first reading in Legislative Council tomorrow.

The object of the Bill is to authorise the Governor in Council to make regulations under section 28 of the Births and Deaths Registration Ordinance, 1934, and under section 13 of the Births Registration (Special Registers) Ordinance, 1947, to provide for the issue by a registrar in the General Register Office of certificates of birth in a shortened form and at a reduced fee of fifty cents. The regulations to be made will contain the form of the certificate. Such certificate will omit all reference to parentage, and in respect of adopted children, all reference to adoption.

The Bill does not interfere with the existing right of any person to obtain the ordinary forms of birth certificate at present issued under the Births and Deaths Registration Ordinance, 1934, and the Births Registration (Special Registers) Ordinance, 1947.

The Bill follows closely the provisions of the Births and Deaths Registration Act, 1947, (10 & 11 Geo. 6, c. 12).

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Yugoslavs Shoot Briton

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He blamed party jealousy for his stand, declaring that his opponents went so far as to "accuse me of being backed by the Communists and receiving Communist funds for my campaign."

General Li's decision not to re-enter the Vice-Presidential race leaves the whole election picture nowhere near a settlement.

He had a final interview with the Generalissimo tonight and announced that preparations were underway for a return to his military headquarters in North China.—Reuter-AAP.

PICTURE OF THE DAY

Modern Amazons



Girls of the Haganah amid the rubble of Mount Castel, which was taken by storm after a ten-day see-saw battle earlier this month.

CANDIDATES REPORTED WILLING TO STAND

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PAGEANTRY AT HOME, IN COLONY, MARKS ROYAL SILVER WEDDING

The Silver Wedding anniversary of Their Majesties the King and Queen, was celebrated in Hong Kong yesterday by a 21-gun salute fired at noon from H.M. ships London, Alacrity and Alert, followed in the evening, by a short fireworks display on board these ships in the Harbour.

At 8.45 p.m., sightseers gathered along the Praya to watch the display, saw the lights darkened on board London, Alacrity, Alert, Consort and H.M.A.S. Quiberon. Only the ships' anchor lights were left on.

At 9.15, the vessels sounded their sirens for 30 seconds as a warning that the display was about to begin.

The first bouquet of rockets soared into the sky against the darkened background of the Harbour at 9.20 and continued to illuminate the ships and surrounding waters for the next ten minutes.

London Cheers
In London yesterday, thousands of ceremony-loving Britons turned out to cheer their King and Queen as they drove from Buckingham Palace to St. Paul's Cathedral to celebrate their Silver Wedding anniversary.

Functionally at 11 in the morning, the State Landau drawn by six Windsor greys rolled out of the massive iron gates of Buckingham Palace. Inside it sat the King and Queen, side by side, just as they sat 25 years ago on their return from Westminster Abbey as man and wife. Beside them sat their younger daughter, Princess Margaret, smiling and waving to the crowds.

Following close on the Landau were Princess Elizabeth and her husband, driving in State for the first time since their wedding.

And escorting the Royal Family was a Sovereign's Escort in full dress, the blue of the Life Guards and the scarlet of the Horse Guards providing the same colourful background as there was at the Royal wedding. The Household Cavalry were not in their gleaming cuirasses and white-plumed hats, as permission for them to appear in full dress is only given at important functions.

Along the tree-lined Mall the procession wended its way, passing St. James Park on the left and St. James Palace, built by Henry VII, and Marlborough House, on the right.

At the massive door of the Cathedral, King George and Queen Elizabeth alighted and walked through the lines of Yeomen of the Guard in their scarlet and gold uniforms, to meet the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Dean of St. Paul's and high church dignitaries, and into the Cathedral.

For three-quarters of an hour the King and Queen sat side by side as church dignitaries, dignified at a simple thanksgiving service. There were no elaborate decorations and men and women in the pews wore ordinary everyday clothes.

At noon, as the Royal family left the Cathedral, Army guns fired a Royal Salute and the couple smiled at each other as they looked back on that spring morning when the guns fired another salute—to their marriage.

Simple Service
The Royal family drove down Fleet Street, home of the Press, up Ludgate Hill named after King Lud, a mythical monarch to the West door of St. Paul's Cathedral, whose history can be traced back to before the advent of Christianity when it was a Temple to Diana.

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Colony Greetings

The following message has been sent to Their Majesties on the occasion of their Silver Wedding Anniversary:

"On the occasion of Your Majesties' Silver Wedding the Government and people of Hong Kong wish to join with all Your Majesties' subjects the world over in a common expression of loyalty and affection. On their behalf I tender, with humble and loyal devotion, heartfelt congratulations on this occasion and best wishes for the future."

May Quit Palestine Earlier

London, Apr. 26. Britain in certain circumstances may terminate the Palestine mandate a few days earlier than May 15, London political quarters considered today.

Authoritative sources here, however, stated that the official date was unaltered. These sources denied a London newspaper report from Jerusalem today that the British Cabinet, acting upon reports received from the Palestine Government, had already decided to surrender the mandate on May 5.

London political quarters have all along regarded the period between May 1 and May 15 as a "handing over" period and have never ruled out the possibility of the terminal date being slightly advanced. On about showing, however, it has seemed unlikely that the advancement could be more than two or three days.—Reuter.

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Snipers Fire On US Plane

Seoul, Apr. 26. Snipers fired on an American courier plane on Cheju Island off Southern Korea, United States Army headquarters reported today.

The announcement said a C-47 of the troop carrier command was the target on Saturday of two snipers as it took off from the island's airstrip.

Island military government headquarters radioed the snipers were pursued but escaped. Army intelligence sought additional information but had difficulty contacting Cheju by radio.

Air Force officers at Kimpo airport near Seoul said they knew nothing of the attack. No report of any such incident. The radioed the plane was not damaged and the crew may not have known they were fired upon.

Cheju has been the scene of political unrest for the past month. Nearly 30 persons have been killed in what the army called Communist-led attacks on police, election registration headquarters and homes of rightists.—Associated Press.

TANGO COMPOSER DEAD

Montevideo, Apr. 26. Gerardo Mattos Rodriguez, 51 Uruguayan composer, died today. He was known especially for his tango compositions.—Associated Press.

The Weather

The anticyclone over China remains as weak high pressure area over S and NW China. A vigorous trough extends from NE China across the Yellow Sea and NE. Another trough stretches from a low pressure area over N Indo-China to S Formosa and thence NE to Korea. Pressure remains high over the Pacific to the E and SE of Japan.

Today's Forecast—Moderate E winds; cloudy with showers, night and morning fair periods during the afternoon.

Yesterday's Weather—
Maximum, 78.0 deg. F.
Minimum, 72.5 deg. F.
Rainfall, 0.2 in.
Relative humidity, 85%
Wind direction, ESE
Wind force, 10 mph

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Siam Banknote Forgery Trial

The trial of Yiu Ming, 28, shop foki, and Hui Kin-hei, 29, partner of an import and export firm, on charges concerning forged Tical bank notes on the Bank of Siam, commenced at the Criminal Sessions yesterday before Mr. Justice T. J. Gould (Puisse Judge).

The accused were charged on the following counts: (1) conspiracy to utter 1,000 forged 20-tical notes on or about Dec. 29; (2) uttering 800 forged 20-tical notes on Dec. 30; (3) uttering 850 forged 20-tical notes on Jan. 13; (4) possession of 1,000 forged 20-tical notes on Jan. 10 and (5) possession of 1,000 forged 20-tical notes on Dec. 30. Hui was additionally charged with misprision of a felony by concealing the fact that Yiu had uttered 800 forged 20-tical notes.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, assisted by Det. Insp. P. C. W. conducted the prosecution. Accused were not legally represented.

Another man, Wong Pui, 31, travelling trader, was also arraigned, but on pleading guilty to the charge of misprision of a felony, the Crown offered no evidence against him on the other counts. Wong was represented by Mr. A. J. Clifford, instructed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ. Sentence on Wong will be passed at the end of the trial.

Bought At \$25

Opening for the Crown, Mr. Reynolds said that on Dec. 30, 1947, Yiu went to a money changer's shop at 8 Pedder Street, with 25 20-tical notes. The money changer purchased the notes at \$25 to 100 ticals, approximately the market rate. About 15 minutes later, Yiu again returned to the shop with the same quantity which was sold at the same rate. He then said that he still had about 17,000 ticals and that he had been offered \$25.20 to 100 ticals by another money changer and ought to get that price. On the money changer agreeing to the new rate, Yiu brought the notes. A few were rejected because of ink spots, but approximately 17,500 were brought, making a total of \$4,485.00. The money changer sold most of the ticals to one customer at \$25.50, but when he tried to sell the remainder to another money changer, he received certain information as a result of which he held the notes back.

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Reminders

Today

Weekly Musical Recorded Concert (instead of Friday), European YMCA, 8.30 p.m.

Kowloon Union Church Women's Guild meeting, 10 a.m.

High Requiem Mass for late President Manuel Roxas of the Philippine Republic, Rosary Church, 7.30 a.m.

Rotary Club luncheon, Roof Garden, H.K. Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Annual General Meeting of Hong Kong Magic Circle, Cosmo Club, 9 p.m.

H.K. & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., annual general meeting, 308, Queen's Rd., 12 noon.

Urban Council Meeting, 4.15 p.m.

Diocesan Girls' Junior School Official opening by Mrs. M. K. Lo at Jordan Road, Kowloon, 5.30 p.m.

Bridge Drive, European YMCA, 8 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

H.K. & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., annual general meeting, 12 noon.

THURSDAY

Royal Air Forces Association fortnightly luncheon, Jacobean Room, H. K. Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

FRIDAY

Central British School, presentation of prizes by the Governor, 11 a.m.

Maryknoll School, annual prize-giving and annual play, 6 p.m.

Shanghai Peking Rubber Estates, Ltd., Bungee-Dur Rubber Company, Ltd., annual meeting, 11.30 a.m., and 12 noon.

FOOD AND FUEL COSTS

The food and fuel costs for the week ending April 24, issued by the Labour Office, were as follows:

Rice and Flour 7.2 cabbages \$5.1100

Vegetables 1.1 7000

Salt Cabbage 2 2000

Oil 1.1 15750

Tea 2 9000

Salt Fish 3 7770

Fish 4 7800

Pork 5 8120

Firewood 10.0 7800

Bean Curd, 14, pieces 7000

Total \$12.3030

The average of the food and fuel prices for the week ending March 0 to April 24 is \$13.88.

The Rehabilitation Allowance for the month of May, 1948 will therefore be:

Daily-paid Workers:

Artisans \$10 per day

Coolies 2.50

Females 1.50

Monthly-paid Workers:

Males \$87.00 per month

Females 62.25

FOOD PARCELS FUND

The following is a list of the donations received up to April 25 1948, which have not yet been acknowledged in the press:

Mrs. M. T. Cass \$ 51.00

Mary 10.00

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Took Water From Hydrant

"For taking water from a hydrant without the permission of the Water Authorities", Mnk Fook (48) was fined \$150, or six weeks' simple imprisonment, by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

Sub-Inspector J. S. Howarth said that defendant was arrested by Sub-Inspector Thomas while taking water from the hydrant at Shantung Street near Portland Street. He had two buckets and a carrying pole.

"I have been asked by the Water Authorities to ask Your Worship to take a serious view of the case as there is no doubt whatever that a lot of water is being wasted by people leaving the hydrants open," said SI Howarth.

Defendant said that the hydrant was on when he went there at 2.30 a.m. on April 25 and that he was merely expecting to get some water.

Personalia

Peninsula Hotel arrivals:—Miss S. V. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Hingway, R. M. B. Marques, J. L. Henton, A. G. Hutchinson, R. C. Ford, E. J. Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Fisher, W. H. Roberts, W. Hutchinson, P. Isherwood, G. W. E. Rich and K. Aldous.

Peninsula departures:—N. Arkin, Mr. and Mrs. R. Johnson, I. E. House, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. V. Hall, D. H. Gowing, Mr. and Mrs. H. Cairns, Mr. and Mrs. V. Y. Kington, S. S. Kephart, M. Waynthal, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. E. Goddard and H. A. Parker.

Among passengers by C. P. A. planes were Major and Mrs. G. C. Hunt and Miss Erickman (from Singapore), R. C. Ford (from Bangkok) and Henry Wood (to Singapore).

Week-end arrivals from the United Kingdom by BOAC "Speedbird" flying-boat were Messrs. L. E. Fisher, L. J. Hay, Li Hon Oki, Goh Kong-hoo, W. Hutchinson, R. R. Johnson, Mrs. M. D. Fisher and Mrs. M. A. Johnson. Others aboard the aircraft were Mr. W. H. Roberts (from Rangoon), Messrs. Hual Tuck-chang, Chow Choo-thong and Hwang Zarping (from Bangkok).

Following Kong passengers who left by BOAC flying-boat for Singapore yesterday were Major G. Hatt Liscombe, F/Lieut. J. A. Cantu, F/Lieut. K. G. Pollard, F/O A. Scott, F/O W.M.L. Foggan, P/O D.W.S. Hands, Sergt. H. Jones, Messrs. Chew How-teck, Lim Lan-po, Oel Pit-ship, Chow Chee-thong, Lt. Elliot, Wong Fook, E. Spring, Pua Tse-ling, Teh Cheng-leat, Teh Soon-leong, G. H. Herant, J. H. Middlecott, Mrs. Wong Ng-see and Miss I. M. Crouch.

The following forthcoming weddings have been announced:—Alfred James Tanner, Electrical Engineer of 22/24 Cornhill Road, Kowloon, to Miss Beatrice Savage of 12 Bulkeley Road, Norbury, London. James George Cater, Civil Servant of 139 Pokfulam Road to Miss Fung Chee of 24 Nanking Street, Kowloon. Alfred Norman Richards of Pan American Airways, residing at 45 Nathan Road to Miss Emma Leong of Cathay Pacific Airways, residing at the same address.

R.A.F. ASSOCIATION LUNCHEON

The Royal Air Forces Association's fortnightly luncheon this week will be held at the Jacobean Room, Hong Kong Hotel, on Thursday, at 12.45 p.m.

It is notified by the Secretary, Urban Council, that as from May 1 the Government cross-harbour coffin boat service for the transportation of coffins will cease to operate from Water Street Pier. As from that date, the service will continue as usual from Tsimshook Road Pier only.

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EVIDENCE AGAINST EUROPEAN INSPECTOR, TWO CHINESE, HEARD

Further evidence for the prosecution was heard at the Central Magistracy yesterday when Inspector Peter Oliver Guild appeared together with Tam So alias Fai Por So and P.C.C. 99, Chan Pui-lam charged with demanding money with menaces.

Mr. D. L. Strellett (for first defendant) asked permission to withdraw from the case for the time being. He had only just found out that the case was for committal and, as he intended to reserve his cross-examination, there was no reason why he should remain in Court. Mr. Hin-shing Lo allowed Mr. Strellett to leave the Court.

Tam is represented by Mr. J. M. Hall. Third accused is not legally represented.

Inspector W. N. Darkin is conducting the prosecution.

After Mr. Strellett had left the Court, Insp. Darkin requested that the members of the press note that a "mahjong school" should not be referred to as a "gambling school" as was done in the report of the last hearing in the "China Mail." If a mahjong school was a gambling school then it would be illegal and would be immediately closed. It was not a gambling school and was perfectly legal.

Foki's Evidence

First witness to be called yesterday was a foki of the mahjong school where Guild and the other two defendants are alleged to have demanded money from the mistress, Lau, who gave evidence at the last hearing.

Yan Tung Leung said that he was a foki of the mahjong school in 44 George Street (ground floor). On the night of Jan. 9 after midnight second accused saw his mistress, but he did not hear what was said.

After the conversation Guild went into the school and knocked the tiles off the tables. There were three or four tables in use at the time. The customers were frightened but did not run away.

Lau asked Tam to call the inspector out. Tam called to the inspector who came out of the school. Lau gave \$250 to Tam. Witness said that he did not see any money being handed over on any date but the 9th.

Leung Liu-chun said that on the night of Feb. 15 Tam asked Lau to go outside as the inspector wanted to speak to her. Witness said he knew Tam by her nick name of "Fai Por So" (Fat woman So).

He heard Fai Por So ask his mistress for money. The amount was \$500.

Lau said that she had given him money before and that she thought it was for once and for all. Other mahjong schools did not pay and she did not know why she should pay.

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The Treasurer's Comptroller Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21818).

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The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

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Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES.

Servants' passes will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties but must remain in their employers' stands.

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S. A. Sney,
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Attempt To Create Kowloon Flower Mart

The recent raids by Health Department and Police officials on flower vendors along Nathan Road and other parts of Tsimsatui were carried out in conformity with Government's policy to rid the streets of unlicensed hawkers, the "China Mail" learned from reliable sources yesterday.

Since the re-issuance of licenses, the competent authorities have allocated sites for six flower-stalls at Middle Road, behind the Far East Motors garage, with the view of creating a "flower market" on the pattern of Hong Kong's "flower street" at D'Almeida Street near Lan Kwai Fong.

Of these six sites, three have been taken up and stalls erected. Another successful applicant built at the idea of expending \$150 or so on the erection of a stall when informed by the other three holders that only a very negligible volume of business could be transacted daily, due, it was claimed, to the competition offered by the unlicensed vendors.

Two or three of these unlicensed sellers, it was further learned, have been warned on numerous occasions to cease business. One of them, a young man in his early twenties, was even warned by the Magistrate to "pack up" or else to bring his aged mother to the Urban Council to obtain a license to sell, as he was too able-bodied for a licence to be issued to him. He not only ignored the advice, but also the advice of the Magistrate.

Flowers seized during raids have never been destroyed nor wasted but, with the consent of the Magistrate, consigned to a charitable institution, such as the Precious Blood Hospital.

EVADED TAXI FARE

Had in the sum of \$100 was forfeited by Benny Cantillar, Spanish-Hawaitian seaman of 33, "President Monroe" when he failed to appear before Mr. W.A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday to answer the charges of evading payment of \$1 taxi fare and of assaulting the driver, Yuen Cheung, at Nathan Road on April 25.

Language Confusion

The language difficulty cropped up during the extradition proceedings against Hsu Chi-chung, alias Chu Kai-chong, former director-general of the Chinese Government-controlled Postal Remittance and Savings Bank of Shanghai, who was alleged to have defrauded the Chinese Postal Bank of CN\$2,850,000,000.

At yesterday's hearing at Central Magistracy before Mr. F. X. d'Almeida, a prosecution witness, Ho Ka-yu, under cross-examination by defence counsel, Mr. Leo d'Almeida e Castro, K.C., instructed by Mr. Marcus da Silva, tied up both counsel and Court at one stage.

Objection by Crown Counsel, Mr. Lonsdale, to certain questions added to the confusion.

The matter was cleared up by the Magistrate, who suggested to defence counsel that he tackle the point from another angle.

Witness, sub-manager of the Postal Bank, at the last hearing, had explained the procedure whereby foreign exchange could be procured during the latter half of 1946. He had also illustrated how Powell and Sons, Ltd., had obtained exchange from the Central Bank through the Postal Bank.

During yesterday's cross-examination, the Hon. Mr. d'Almeida confined most of his questioning to the relationship between two exhibits—N and P. Exhibit N referred to certain accounts of Powell and Sons Ltd., with the Postal Bank, while Exhibit P was the approval of the application of the company through the Postal Bank to the Central Bank for the purchase of US\$189,651. The two documents had similar figures entered in them.

Sitting on behalf of the Chinese Government is Mr. Peter H. Sin, while Chief Inspector W.W. Williamson represented the police.

Hearing was adjourned to today.

Corporation Presses Its Claim

Hearing of the claim by the Stateside Corporation of Prince's Building, against the Hing Cheong Hong of 88 Des Voeux Road West, for the return of \$49,768.32, representing monies paid for a consideration which had failed, was resumed before Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Chief Justice), at the Supreme Court yesterday.

The Stateside Corporation, plaintiffs, were represented by Mr. B. A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr. J. C. Stewart of Messrs. Tso & Hodgson.

Mr. Percy Chen, instructed by Mr. A.S.K. Lau of Messrs. A.S.K. Lau & Co., appeared for Hing Cheong Hong, defendants. In his statement of claim, plaintiffs alleged that they paid to the defendants the sum of \$10,032.00, \$11,991.02 and \$19,835.20, under three contracts dated Dec. 16, 1946, Dec. 21, 1946 and Jan. 30, 1947. The contracts all related to the purchase and sale of sulphur black.

Evidence in support of the defendant's case was given by Chan Chung-shing, proprietor of the defendant firm at the original hearing. At yesterday's hearing, Li Chun-lun, assistant manager of defendant firm testified. The defence intend to call another witness, but as he was not available yesterday afternoon, it was arranged that Mr. Bernacchi should open for the plaintiffs.

Merely A Contact Man

In the course of his opening, Mr. Bernacchi said that at the relevant time, the partners in the plaintiff corporation consisted of Tso Hak-on, Li Yuk-wan and Chan Kam-hon. A man named Wong Man-kei was employed by the plaintiffs as a salesman and it was his duty to obtain orders for plaintiffs. This man was provided with a list of goods which plaintiffs were prepared to buy and the prices they were prepared to pay. He was not in any way authorised to negotiate conditions of sale or to receive the purchase price. He was merely a contact man.

Cuisine Peculiarities Phase In Court Case

Chinese cuisine and its peculiarities formed a phase of the hearing of a charge of injecting fluid into quails brought up at Central Magistracy yesterday by Health Inspector A. W. Fowler against a 22-year-old foki of a Central Market poultry stall.

The Chinese have a peculiar manner of preparing roast birds, Mr. A. S. C. Comber, representing Ko Kwan, of No. 7 Graham Street, told the Magistrate. To make the skin brittle, a simple method was to inject air into the bird to separate the skin from the flesh.

Mr. Comber pleaded not guilty on behalf of his client to the standing charge but guilty to one of injecting air which the prosecution refused to accept. Air was injected into the animal skin from the carcass.

Ko Kwan, counsel explained, was a hawk in poultry and game. He had sold four quails for 90 cents each. He was then instructed by his customer, who bought them for a birthday party, to kill the birds and prepare them for a special dish, which required the special treatment of making the skin brittle.

His client, counsel contended, acted under instruction from his customer and there was no attempt to swindle the public. It was a technical offence.

Health Insp. Fowler in his evidence in chief said that at 12.05 p.m. on March 31, he visited the poultry killing room, Central Market, and found the defendant holding a rubber syringe, with one end in a tin of water. On seeing him the defendant put the quails, tin and tube under a sink and ran away.

Questioned as to his master's identity, defendant refused to divulge any information, witness said. The tube on examination was found to contain water. In reply to counsel, witness could not say whether the market by-laws covered any such act outside.

Readers' Letters

Cheats, Frauds, "Suckers"

Sir—"Enquirer" deserves some support in his request to the Powers-that-be that the gullible public be protected from being made "suckers" of by the many unscrupulous cheats and frauds that seem to have always found this Colony such an ideal happy-hunting-ground.

I had a friend—once, an artist whose skill I greatly admired, and who, because of this, I helped in many ways. Subsequently, I lost this man's goodwill when I declined to support an exhibition that he was putting up, ostensibly in aid of some very worthy cause. The exhibition was held, without any assistance from me; and it netted for the artist, I believe, quite a decent profit. Last I should be casting a reflection upon any artist who has held an exhibition in the Colony in recent months, I ought to say that the incident I have described took place before the Pacific War.

Then, there was that "clergyman" who went about Hong Kong collecting donations for certain missionary work, which occupation seemed quite commendable for "his reverence," for he did not particularly appear to be living in asceticism. But it would have been very illuminating if that "reverend" gentleman explained how he came by his venerable title, or how he disposed of the "savings" of the many zealous who believed that they were laying up treasures where moths do not eat nor thieves break through and steal. I am prepared to disclose to the competent authorities, if it serves any useful purpose now, the identity of the two gentlemen mentioned above, although the former has already passed beyond the pale of human justice. As for the "padre," I do not know whether he is still enjoying the all-embracing hospitality of this British Colony; for he has been very quiet of late; anyway, I have not heard of him for months. Very likely, he is obeying his Master's injunction and doing good in secret. On the other hand, he may be, like a voracious python after a heavy meal, sleeping off his last gorge.

N. T. FRAUD

Appreciation

Sir—I shall be extremely grateful if you would allow me space in your esteemed paper to express my deep appreciation of the help extended me by two gentlemen out at Tsipo Road on Sunday afternoon when I had the misfortune of slight engine trouble while motoring with my family. Also to their fair companions, whose patient waiting in their own car could only be interpreted as full endorsement of the gentlemen's actions. Had it not been for their help I am sure, in my complete ignorance of the complications of motor engines, that I would have been put to a great deal of inconvenience and anxiety. It is not often that one has the good fortune of meeting people so ready to lend a hand.

GRATEFUL.

Police Raid Sweep Ticket Sellers

A police raid outside Exchange Building on sweep ticket sellers had a sequel at Central Magistracy yesterday when a 20-year-old male and a 17-year-old girl appeared before Mr. F. X. d'Almeida charged with the illegal selling of tickets.

Pang, Wo, pleading not guilty, was convicted and fined \$50 or 15 days' imprisonment. Lee Kum, also pleading not guilty, was remanded 24 hours as the constable who arrested her was under medical treatment. She was allowed bail of \$50.

Pang, who denied possessing sweep tickets, said he was waiting outside Exchange Building for a friend who had promised him a job.

He had some money on him which was to be used for medicine for his mother.

Lee said she was sent by her mistress to buy tickets. PC 2694 told the Court that he was one of the party which raided the area. He heard Pang calling out "\$2.20 a piece" and arrested him. He told him to stay put while he arrested two other men. While he was engaged with the others, witness said, he saw Pang throwing away tickets.

Pang denied he had any tickets. He offered to be searched and denied calling out.

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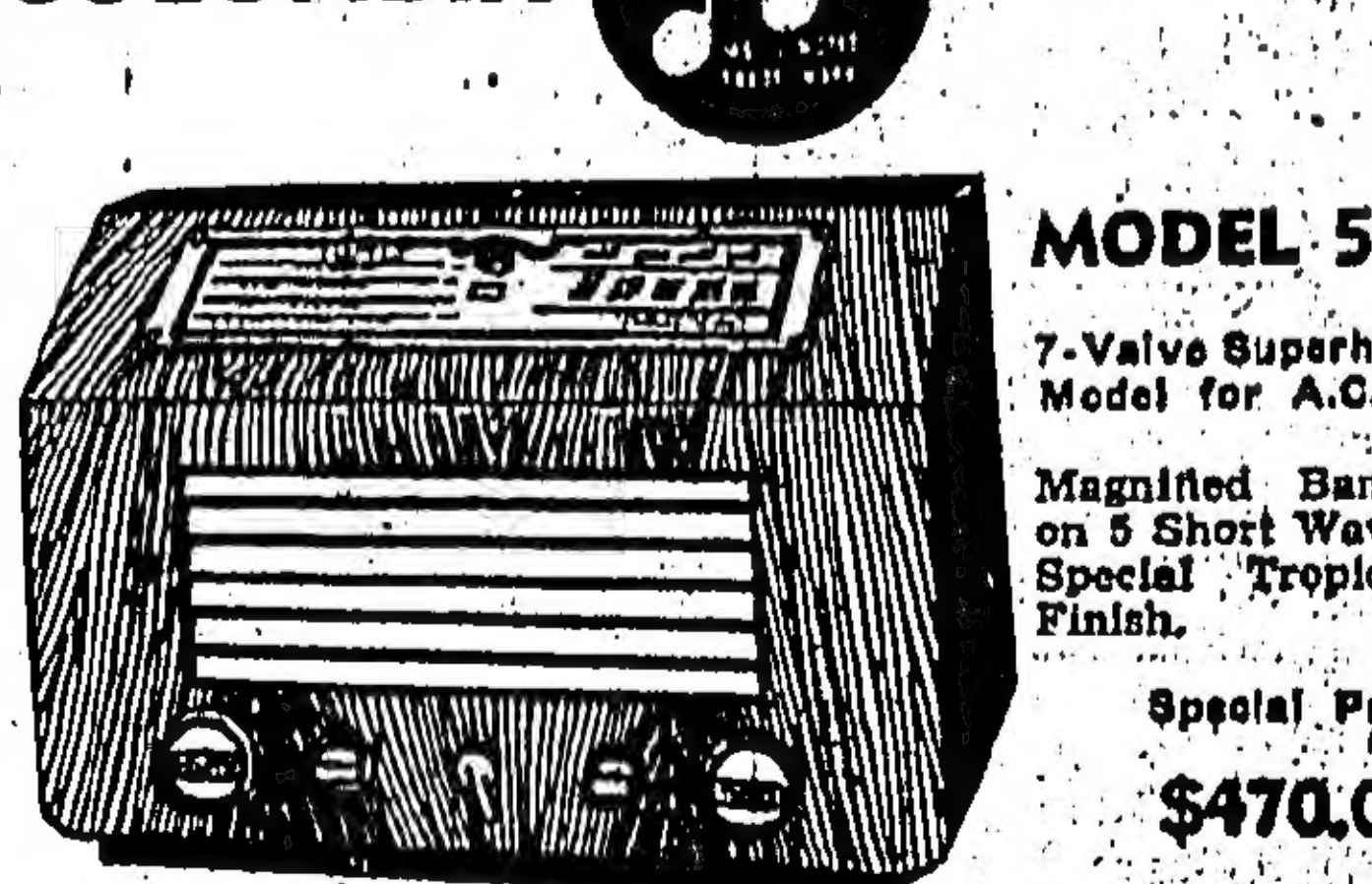
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Trainers, Bedford Lorry, and
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Notice To Shareholders

ADOPTION OF NEW ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that an Extraordinary General
Meeting of the Members of this
Company will be held at the
Office of Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder
Street, Hong Kong, on Wednes-
day, 28th April, 1948, at 12.15
p.m., or at such time as the
Ordinary Annual Meeting of
Members to be held at the same
place at Noon shall terminate,
for the purpose of considering
and, if thought fit, passing the
following Special Resolution:—

"That the New Articles of
Association produced to the
Meeting, and for the purpose
of 'Identification' subscribed
by David Fortune Landale,
Chairman of the Company,
and of the Meeting, be
adopted as the Articles of
Association of the Company
in substitution for and to the
exclusion of all existing
Articles of Association of the
Company."

A copy of the Proposed New
Articles can be inspected by
any Shareholder at the Office
of the Company during the
usual office hours.

By Order of the Board of
Directors,
C. E. TERRY,
Manager and Secretary.

Hong Kong, 5th April, 1948.

THE HONG KONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

Notice To Shareholders

ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the Fifty-Seventh Ordinary
Annual Meeting of the Members
of the Company will be held at
the Office of Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder
Street, Hong Kong, on Wednes-
day, 28th April, 1948, at Noon,
to receive and consider the
Report of the Board of Direc-
tors and Statement of Accounts
for the year ended 31st Decem-
ber, 1947, to elect Directors and
to appoint Auditors.

CLOSING OF TRANSFER BOOKS

Notice is also given that the
Register of Members and
Transfer Books of the Company
will be closed from 15th April,
1948, to 28th April, 1948, both
days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of
Directors,
C. E. Terry,
Manager and Secretary.

Hong Kong, 5th April, 1948.

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLD-
ERS will be held in the Board
Room of the Company, Room
No. 303, Queen's Building,
Hong Kong, on Tuesday the
27th April, 1948, at noon for
the following purposes:—

1. To receive and consider the Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet and the Report of the Directors and Auditors thereon.
2. To elect Directors.
3. To appoint Auditors and fix their remuneration.
4. To transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY
GIVEN that the TRANSFER
BOOKS of the COMPANY
will be closed from the 16th
April 1948 to the 27th April
1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of
Directors.

R. G. CRAIG,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LIMITED.

The Town Office of the Com-
pany will be re-opened in
Room No. 307, Queen's Build-
ing, Connaught Road, Hong
Kong, on Monday, 28th
April, 1948.

THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The SIXTY-THIRD ORDIN-
ARY ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING of the Company will
be held at the Offices of the
General Managers, Messrs.
Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.,
Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on
Friday, 28th May, 1948, at noon
for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors, passing
the Accounts for the year ended
31st December, 1947, and
electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the
Company will be closed from
21st May, 1948, to 10th June
1948, inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
JARDINE, MATHESON
& CO., LTD.,
General Managers.

Hong Kong, 22nd April, 1948.

HONG KONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED

MONTHLY TICKETS

Monthly Tickets can be re-
newed at the Traffic Office,
Central Road East, on the 28th
and 27th April and 2nd May;
also at Queen's Building, Con-
naught Road entrance, on the
28th and 29th April and 1st
May.

New tickets (for passengers
not holding a ticket for the
present month) can be obtained
at the Traffic Office only
from 30th April.

V. WALKER

Acting General Manager

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O Consul,
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given that the said Bill of Lad-
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IN THE GOODS of Edwin Alfred Fritchard, Commissioner of Chinese Customs, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the Court, has by virtue
of Section 58 of the Probates
Ordinance 1897, made an Order
limiting the time for creditors
and others to send in their
claims against the above estate
to the 18th day of May 1948.

All Creditors and others are
accordingly hereby required to
send their claims to the under-
signed on or before that date.

Dated the 21st day of May
1948.

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Limited, the lawfully
appointed Attorney of
one of the Executors of the
Will of the above-
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PUBLIC TENDERS

It is hereby notified that
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which should be clearly marked
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Colonial Secretariat, Lower
Albert Road, until noon on
Monday, the 3rd May, 1948.

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P.W.D. Major Portworks List
or Reputable Timber Merchants
will be permitted to tender.

Forms of tender, specification
and other particulars may be
obtained from the Port Works
Office, St. George's Building,
2nd floor, Chater Road.

The Government does not
bind itself to accept the lowest
or any tender, and reserves the
right to accept all or any part
of any tender.

V. KENNIF, Director of Public Works.

28th April, 1948.

NOTICE

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Ice-Cream Products, are hereby
informed that, as the number
of licences for Ice-cream
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T. S. D. WHITLEY,
Secretary, Urban Council.

24th April, 1948.

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NEW TRAFFIC CONTROL PLANS BEING STUDIED

The problem of Hong Kong's growing traffic is causing concern to the Traffic Department of the Police. For some time a Traffic Advisory Committee has been seeking ways and means to restore free movement of traffic while making the roads safer.

The report of the Traffic Advisory Committee is at present being studied. Among its recommendations are that more streets should be "One Way Only", and that in certain areas, mainly the congested districts, cars will not be allowed to turn in the roadway and travel back on the route from which they have come.

Roads which have been suggested for this type of control (known as prohibited U-turns) are in the area bounded by and including:—

Hong Kong. On the East: Percival Street, On the South: Leighton Hill Road, Morrison Hill Road, Gap Road, Queen's Road East, Central and West to the Praya, On the North: The Praya, Connaught Road West and Central, Murray Road, Queen's Road Central and Des Voeux Road Central, Murray Road, between Chater Road and Queen's Road Central.

Where lamp standards, filling stations and trees cause an obstruction to the free flow of traffic, they are to be removed. In the central area of the island it is felt that a 20-mile speed limit should be kept, conforming generally with the speeds adopted for similar areas in London and Paris.

Silence Zone

A 24 hour silence zone in the central district in the area bounded by and including Queen Victoria Street, Connaught Road Central, Murray Road and Queen's Road Central is aimed at, but there are several points which must be considered before bringing in so drastic a change. Firstly, traffic in a silent zone would have to move much more slowly. This would tend to defeat one of the main objects of the new scheme of traffic reorganization, which is to speed up traffic. Secondly, it is possible that accidents would increase until the road education of pedestrians has been carried considerably further than it is at present. It might therefore be necessary to relax the period of silence during the busy time of the day.

Oneway Streets

Additional oneway streets proposed are: Jackson Road to be closed to all commercial vehicles and all vehicles the property of H. M. Forces of 15 cwt. and above in weight, except with the special permission of the Commissioner of Police. Des Voeux Road Central between Wardley Street and Jackson Road to be similarly closed to east bound traffic of the above classes.

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COMMUNIST RIOTS IN MILAN

Partisan Parade Clubbed By Police

Machine-Gunning Of Tramcar

Milan, Apr. 25.
Rifle-swinging police, aided by a timely rain storm, today broke up Italy's first post-election riot. Communists provoked and guided the wild demonstration in Milan's famed Cathedral Square.

For an hour police in jeeps and armoured cars fired into the air and charged time after time into the lines of 25,000 partisan fighters who were being led by Communists.

Panicky residents of the city cheered as heavy police reinforcements arrived. The Communists apparently fired at the police. A passer-by was known to have been injured and a national policeman killed by a bullet which reportedly was not from police guns.

A tram came under a burst of machinegun fire, but its terrified passengers escaped injury. This was the third anniversary of Italy's liberation from the Germans, and the partisans were allowed to celebrate with a meeting in the courtyard of Sforzesco Castle. There, the underground fighters of the No. 2 Communist division, declared:

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Polio In Singapore

Singapore, Apr. 25.
One of six European victims of the infantile paralysis outbreak in Singapore died today in Middleton Hospital. This was the second death since the outbreak started here last week.—Reuter.

Barges Held Up

Berlin, Apr. 25.
Barges held up at a Soviet checkpoint on the river Elbe since Tuesday began to enter the British Zone today, it was officially announced. The barge skippers had been told by the Soviet authorities not to re-enter the Soviet Zone without first obtaining new documents, the announcement said.

As the British authorities have no information about these new documents, it is unlikely that water traffic into, or through, the Soviet Zone will be renewed until the position is further clarified, it added.

The French Military Government today instituted a motor bus service between Berlin and Brunswick after Thursday's cancellation by the Russians of two express coaches.—Reuter.

HOSTAGES FREED

Athens, Apr. 25.
One thousand villagers carried off by guerrillas in the Natolina region were freed and 8,000 sheep and cattle stolen by the guerrillas were recovered in the Greek Government offensive in the mountain heights between Thermopylae and the Gulf of Corinth, tonight's Greek General Staff communique said.—Reuter.

Iraqi Demonstrates For All-Out Aid

Baghdad, Apr. 26.

All of Baghdad's colleges and schools declared an indefinite strike on Sunday until "the Government recruits all able-bodied Iraqis and sends the regular army to fight in Palestine."

Simultaneously, a mass meeting of the nation's Liberal party made the following demands:

1. The Regular Army should occupy Palestine.
2. Arms for Palestine must be collected from the Iraqi tribes.
3. Recruiting centres should be opened up throughout Iraq.
These moves followed "British treachery in surrendering Haifa to the Zionists," as one newspaper wrote.

It was authoritatively learned that the flow of petrol to Haifa was stopped three days ago. Supplies still continue to Tripoli.

The organ of the National Democratic party, expressing great alarm at the Zionists' control of Haifa, urged the immediate intervention of Iraq's Regular Army "the people will force action which the Government will not be able to stop."

The newspaper of the Independence party agreed that the use of the Iraqi Army was the only way to guarantee the safety of Palestine Arabs.—Associated Press.

TRAIN DERAILED

Birmingham, Alabama, Apr. 26.

At least two people were killed and 14 injured when the Miami-Chicago passenger train was derailed in an isolated area 17 miles north of Birmingham on Sunday. The driver and a passenger were reported killed.—Associated Press.

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay
"The Authority on Authorities"

LEARN HOW TO REVERSE
It is difficult for some pretty fair players to learn how to apply what experts call "reverse dummy" play to a deal. That term means simply that the declarer treats the dummy as the master hand and gets it up instead of setting up his own hand. This reversal is especially important with some suit contracts, whereby the declarer employs his own trumps for ruffing and uses those in the dummy for trump leads. Maybe it will help if we present a deal "upside down" as compared to the customary position.

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(Dealer: North. North-South vulnerable.)

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2S Pass 3S Pass
3D Pass 5D Pass
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East led the club Q against lower contract.

Danger Of Spanish Question

London, Apr. 25.
The Observer, in a copyrighted story, said today that the question of Spain "has emerged as the most dangerous possible cause of a political rift between Western Europe and the United States and it is felt in London the time has come for direct discussions between the Foreign Ministers of the Brussels powers, Italy and the United States regarding Spain."

The article said the new factors in the Spanish situation were: firstly, Italian Premier De Gasperi's victory shattered Franco's claim that Communism cannot be resisted by the normal workings of political democracy and "there is a greater chance than ever for swinging away all respectable supporters from the present regime."

Secondly, good progress has been made in the Paris negotiations between Spanish Republicans and monarchists and an agreement is "at last within grasp."

Thirdly, the Western Union and Italy are fully agreed on the desirability of associating Spain with the Marshall plan and the undesirability of doing so as long as democracy is not restored.—United Press.

RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles from 12.15 to 2.00 p.m., and from 6.00 to 11.00 p.m., and also on 9.52 megacycles in the 41 metre band from 12.15 to 1.30, 6.30 to 7.50 and 8.00 to 11.00 p.m.

12.15 p.m.—Religious Talk to Children (Studio).
12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
12.32 p.m.—"Here We are Again" With Rita Williams, Mai Bacon, Harry Hudson Joseph McNulty, The Four Clubmen & Anton & Orch. (Orchestra).
1.02 p.m.—Lewie Hutchinson (Vocal) at the Piano.
1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.25 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.
1.30 p.m.—Songs and Music from Foreign Lands.
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

6.00 p.m.—Programme Summary.
6.01 p.m.—Children's Story, "Peter Duck" by Arthur Hansome Episode 15: "Island Morning"... Read by Captain Flint. (Studio).
6.30 p.m.—Dance and His Orchestra.
6.50 p.m.—"See You" on Sports (Studio).
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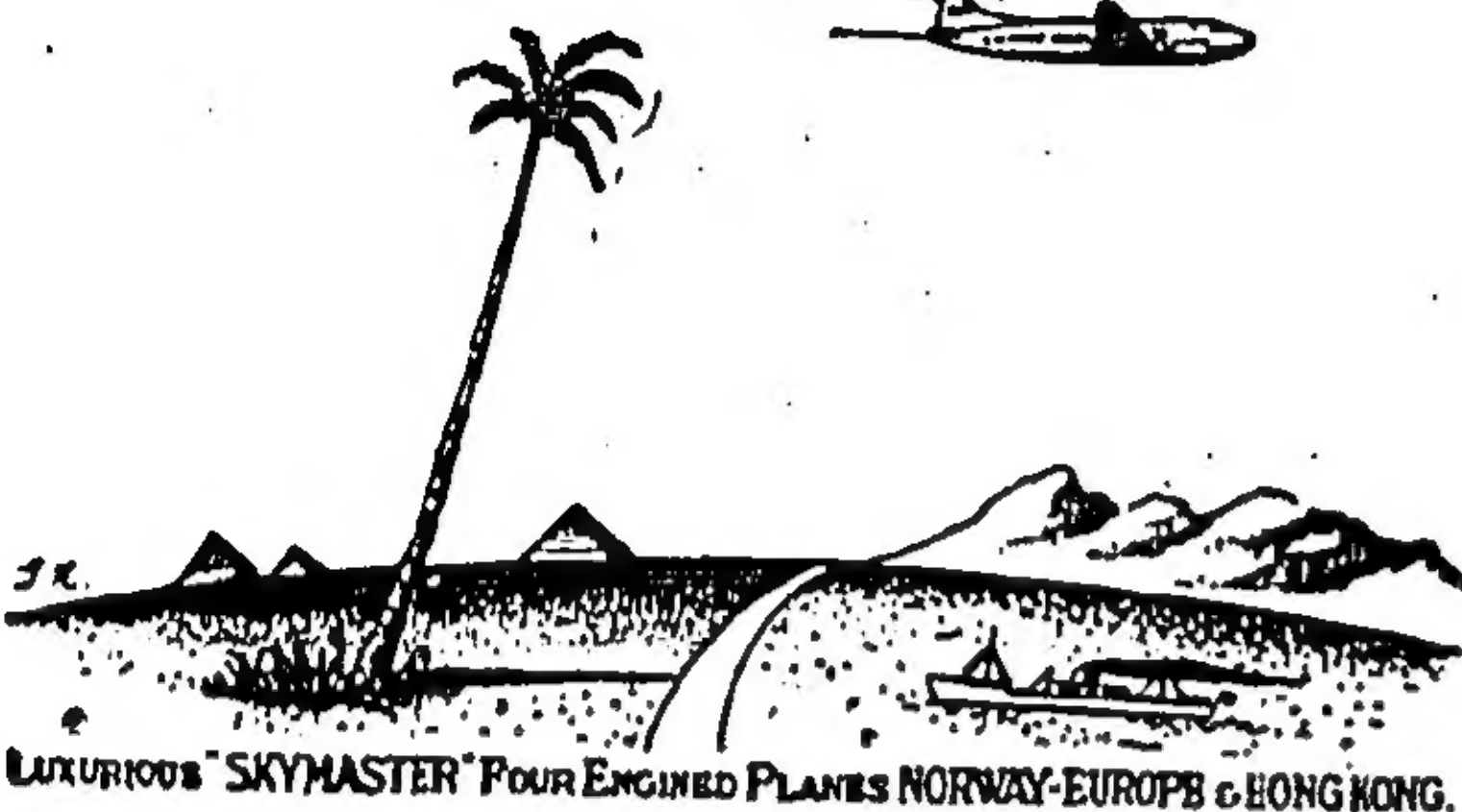
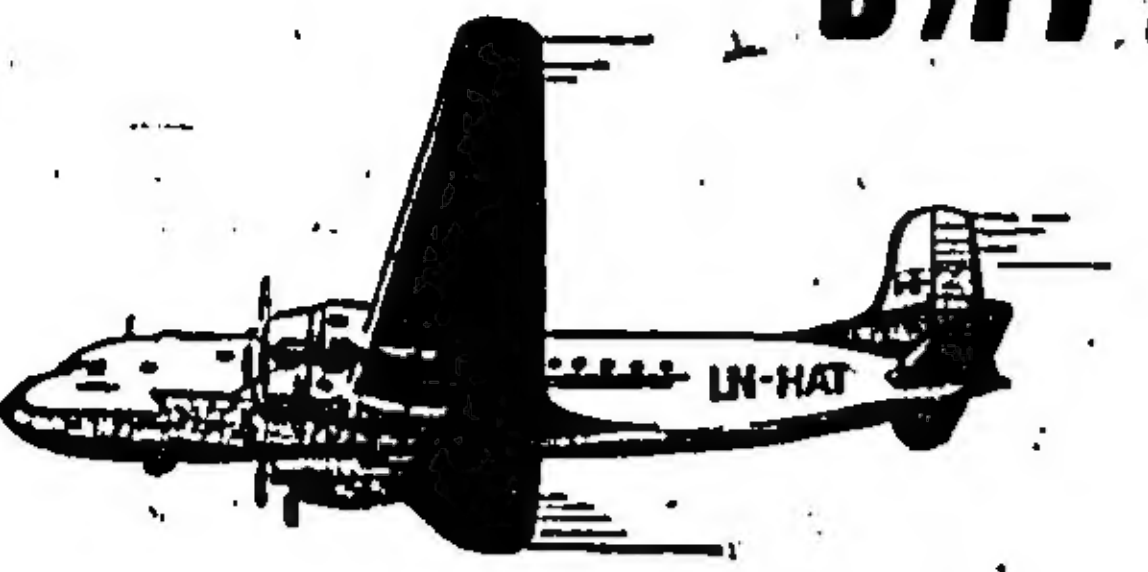
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Shinwell On Coal Inquiry

London, Apr. 25. Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, Secretary for War and former Minister of Fuel, told a meeting in the Eastington mining area of Durham today that the nationalised coal industry was "working very well, having regard to the unfavourable circumstances."

Mr. Shinwell referred to a report—already published—that the Government has to authorise an inquiry into the working of the National Coal Board.

"Parliament has accepted nationalisation and we are determined there will be no monkeying about with the administration of nationalisation by busybodies who would be far better employed promoting efficiency in private industry," he said.

He had no doubt that there would be a House of Commons debate on the activities of the National Coal Board.

"We cannot expect to achieve the production figures everybody desires until there is an efficient machinery established in the pits."—*Reuter.*

Attack On The West

London, Apr. 25. Pravda today attacked the Western Powers for the resumption of the conference on German questions, renewing its charges that the representatives of the United States, Britain and France had no power to make decisions regarding Germany's future.

A despatch, written by J. Viktorov and broadcast by Radio Moscow, stated: "It is not difficult to see that not one item on the agenda is within the competence of the London conference. All of them are exclusively the prerogative of the Council of Foreign Ministers, which alone can make decisions on these questions. No other decision can or will have the force of law and international authority."—*United Press.*

Now, Before It Is Too Late

London, Apr. 25.

The influential Sunday newspaper, "The Observer," in a five-column editorial surveying the threatening war, said today that the "only basis on which to negotiate successfully with the Kremlin is one of ready armed strength."

The Observer said that any agreement with Russia would have to include Soviet yielding on two vital questions, those of international atomic control and the future of Germany.

The Observer said, "As long as no actual force confronts Russia in Europe, attempts to reach a final peace settlement may only increase the danger of immediate war by inviting miscalculations on her part."

"The essential thing is that we should be able to negotiate with Russia on the basis of actual, not potential, armed strength before Russia is equipped to wage an atomic war. Afterward it will be too late. For if Russia is once able to use atomic weapons, she will be less than ever likely to yield in the vital issue of international control and the world will live unbearably on the edge of an appalling catastrophe."

Our Need

"A decisive advantage in military strength, therefore, is what we need. Once that obtains, there will be a period during which a tolerable settlement with Russia might be reached without war. That clearly must be the prime aim and object of the Western policy. Such a solution and nothing less would give the United Nations a chance to be of value."

The Western Powers' military strength, the Observer said, should have placed the Lubek-Trieste line to halt any Soviet drive into Western Europe to submarine bases and "offer present help to the strategically vital Scandinavian Peninsula which the West could never again afford to lose to an enemy power."

Stories Grossly Untrue

Sydney, Apr. 25.

The Australian Chaplain-General, Father McCarthy, and the Rev. A. H. Stewart, refused to comment on their investigations in Japan into the moral behaviour of the Commonwealth Occupation forces when they returned to Melbourne today.

Father McCarthy, however, described as "grossly untrue" allegations that the orphanage of Hiroshima had been established to care for the illegitimate children of the occupation troops.

He said the orphanage was solely for the care of orphans who had been made homeless by the atom bomb.

The fact that no child in the orphanage was younger than 3-1/2 years was sufficient evidence to clear the Commonwealth Occupation forces of the allegations, Father McCarthy added.—*Reuter.*

U.S. MILITARY AID FOR WESTERN UNION?

Washington, Apr. 25.

Informed Congressional sources today said that President Truman would send Congress a plan for limited shipments of American arms to the five-nation "Western Union" within the next three weeks.

The plan already has been presented informally to the Senate President (Senator Arthur Vandenberg) by the Under-Secretary of State (Mr. Robert Lovett) in two private conferences.

Patterned after wartime Lend-Lease, American military backing would be provided for the five nations which last month signed a mutual defence and economic pact at Brussels.

The Executive Committee of the Western Union—comprising Britain, France, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg—met for the first time in London yesterday. It is expected to establish a permanent military committee immediately, probably including representatives of the five General Staffs.

Action of that type is being awaited in both Congressional and administration circles as a prelude to assurances of American military backing.

Truman Pledge

The United States plan has not been put in final form, but the return of the Secretary of State (Mr. George Marshall) from Bogota, Colombia, may put new pressure behind it.

The Lend-Lease plan stems from a pledge made before Congress by Mr. Truman on the day the Brussels pact was signed—March 17.

At that time, the chief executive said, "I am sure the determination of the five countries of Europe to protect themselves will be matched by equal determination on our part to help them do so."

It is in fulfilment of this pledge that a programme to send limited quantities of United States guns, munitions and planes to Europe is being drafted by State Department and Army officials.

Government sources believe only limited shipments will be requested because of America's own defence needs and the top limit which can be mustered by the five nations.

The military plan would be separate from the European Recovery Programme, but Congressional sources said it would try to accomplish on the military front what the ERP sought to do on the economic front. That adds up to stabilisation of Western Europe and strengthening of the free Governments.—*United Press.*

TO STAY AWAY

London, Apr. 25. Mr. Hugh Dalton, the former Chancellor of the Exchequer, confirmed at a press conference that none of the 16 Socialist parties of Europe would be represented at the Federalist Conference at The Hague in May.

The 16 Socialist parties will meet again in Vienna on June 4, when the Ruhr question, which was discussed inconclusively, will be taken up.—*Reuter.*

Ceylon Troops On The Rampage In Kuala Lumpur

Kuala Lumpur, Apr. 25.

About 800 men of the Ceylonese Royal Pioneer Corps, stationed here, were today confined to camp under armed Gurkha guards after serious rioting in the town last night.

Several Europeans were among those assaulted and three shops were wrecked by about 150 Ceylonese who rioted in three localities.

An official statement said a court of enquiry was being convened immediately.

The first warning of trouble came when a truckload of Ceylonese troops were stopped by military police along the main road to Ipoh.

An officer said a truck had been commandeered by the Ceylonese. It was reported back to camp and serious trouble started soon afterwards.

Europeans Hurt

A party broke out of camp and wrecked a Chinese restaurant near the camp gate in a few minutes. The rioters then lined the roads and began attacking passing cars. A European motorist with his wife and child being among the first injured.

A Chinese and a Ceylonese doctor were the worst victims of the rioters, who used sticks, stones and bottles.

As this was going on, another riot started in a neighbouring area, half a mile away, a liquor shop being attacked, smashed up and money taken from the till and two employees stabbed.

Military and civilian police rushed to the scenes of the riots and, after tense situations, arrested about 40 of the rioting Ceylonese.

Troops Stoned

British troops from the nearby Malaya District Headquarters were called out and, as they neared, the Ceylonese began throwing bricks and bottles at them.

The situation in the camp was soon brought under control, and armed Gurkhas who came on the scene threw a cordon around it.

Today, everything seemed quiet. The Ceylonese were calling an emergency meeting of

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Here, in 1948, are the wasp waists, bustles, basques, looped and draped skirts of the 1870's and 1880's, and the ruffled petticoats of the early 1900's.

Nearly every day something old is new again!

But so far Dame Fashion has not drawn within her orbit the accessories and knick-knacks that were the delight of fashionable ladies of bygone eras. Some of them, forgotten for decades, built a unique niche for themselves in fashion's whirligig.

One charming accessory of other years that many of us would welcome back is the sunshade; indeed, fashion is already forecasting its return. Why it ever went out is a mystery.

It was practical and a flattering addition to any woman's costume, whether spread above her head or twirled with careless grace in her hand. There were many beautiful parasols, dressy ones of "chanceable" silk, elegant pure white ones with carved ivory handles, and practical ones of natural pongee, lined with green silk to give extra protection against the sun's rays.

Also, to complete the summer costume were mitts. These were usually of silk, some of them almost cobwebby in texture, others with exquisite lace patterns.

Black and white were the most popular, with pastel colours for

young girls; and mitts came in two lengths, wrist and elbow.

They were so much cooler than gloves, and here's wistfully hoping that we shall see them again soon.

Feathers And Frills

And, since we're on the subject of accessories, I would remind you of the feather boa, usually of finely curled ostrich, and a softly fluttering finish to day or evening costume when secured loosely about the neck with ribbons to match the colour of the feathers.

Of course, these were for looks only. For real comfort, there was the practical collar of fur with high collar that came well up over one's ears in the winter. This was a detached piece that could be worn over any coat and these are coming in again.

Children's apparel shows the "new look," too, and one wonders whether we shall see old-fashioned pinafores once more. They were charming on demure little girls of another generation who wore them to school over their wool frocks in the winter.

Dainty pinafores were usually made of dimity or nainsook, trimmed with lace-edged ruffles, often with crisply starched shoulder wings. And when we returned from school in the afternoon, the pinafore was replaced by the practical, long-sleeved gingham tye, to keep your dress clean.

Along with the new fullness, the drapes and loops in skirts, will the pocket of Grandmother's day return? (It would probably have a zipper this time!) That pocket was always more or less of a mystery to us children; but

Grandmother never had any trouble in finding it in the voluminous folds of her skirt.

"Baby Ribbons"

It's pleasant to know that femininity is back, in all its billowy, frilly softness. Once more it's possible to buy in the shops lovely Val laces, insertions and beadings through which dainty ribbons are run when used on lingerie (they used to be called "baby ribbons"), with black velvet ribbon for frocks.

Remember the deep yokes of allover embroidery in summer dresses? They were usually finished with a lace-edged ruffle joined to the dress with a band of beading through which velvet ribbon was laced, finishing with a rosette on the left shoulder.

All this talk of lace and ribbon reminds me of the dainty nightgowns (always with sleeves and plenty of frills), camisoles, and ruffled petticoats of varying lengths and the dainty dressing gowns of flowered lawn for summer wear at home.

This popular garment was sold in high-class city shops well after the turn of the century. For winter wear, these were made of challis, flannel, or albatross, and were trimmed with silk or velvet. Switching to outer garments of yesteryear, there is one in particular that I should like to wear again (slender straws in the fashion wind indicate a possibility), and that is the golf cape, so popular in the late 1880's and early 1900's.

Why it was so named, I don't know, but every schoolgirl, to be well dressed, had to have a golf cape!

It was made of heavy wool coat fabric, usually reversible—plain on one side and plaid on the other. The cape was made full at the hood and came well below the hips; the hood was made from the plaid side of the goods. Well—hoods are here anyway!

And so one waits, with pleasant, nostalgic expectancy, to see what fashion, dipping into the limbo of other years, will come up with next!



This Navy Blue wool felt boater with side loops of red, white and blue Peterham ribbon, trimmed with white, die veil, was seen during a display of British summer millinery in London a fortnight ago. (A. P. Photo)

How to Buy a Hat: Consider Colour Effect

BY NINON

Every woman wants a hat to do something for her. It must be becoming in line and colour and it must make people notice her. In determining the colour of a hat, some serious thought is

necessary. A woman must take three things into consideration:

1—The costume or costumes with which she expects to wear the hat.

2—The colour of her skin, hair and eyes.

3—The millinery shades being featured in the shop. Each hat the shopper tries on must be quickly analyzed from all three standpoints. And, if a woman cannot hear herself think while her milliner is talking, she should ask for three minutes of silence before making up her mind to accept or reject a style.

Never fall in love with a hat and then look for a costume to go with it. Select a dress or suit and then the accessories. If possible, choose a hat at the same time the new outfit is selected.

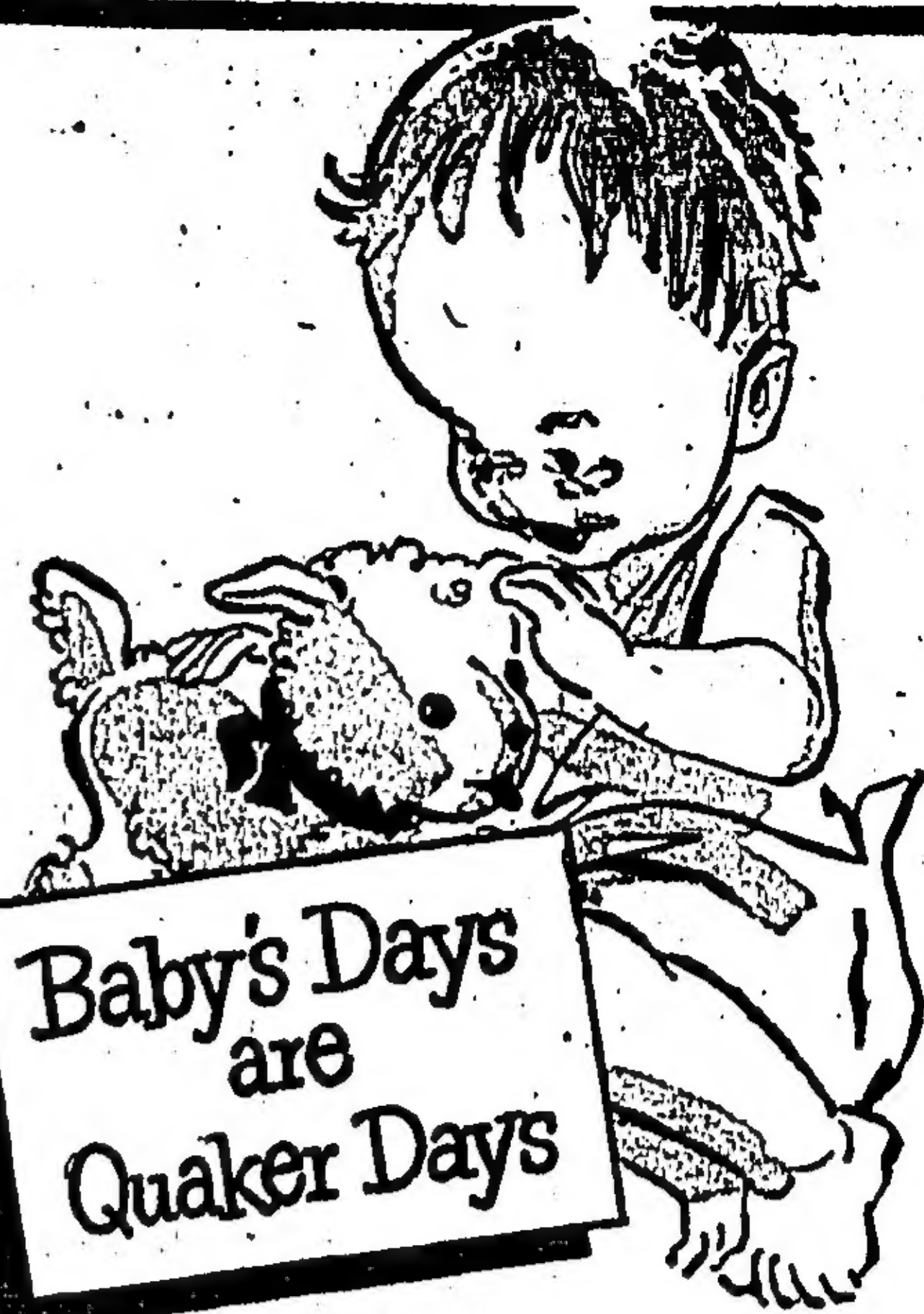
A woman's hat must harmonize with her costume and flatter her face. Some women manage to do all right with what they call a "colour sense," or feminine intuition, and others make a study of the rules of harmony.

Regardless of different intensities and hues, together with fashion names that change from season to season, the three groups of colours are the bases of all simple or complicated colour schemes.

In millinery, the designers have created colours and combinations of colours that are feminine, delicate and utterly charming. Everything has been done this season to help a woman achieve a "pretty" look.

Beige neutrals of wheat, chamomile, natural and burnt (a gentle brown) are popular, together with pure white and gray. Navy blue is regarded as a flattering colour to virtually all complexions.

In bright colours the favourites are yellow, tangerine, orange, red, pine-green. These are much used in hats, as well as in trimmings for neutrals. New pastels introduce glacier-green, pale-yellow, pink and mauve to violet.



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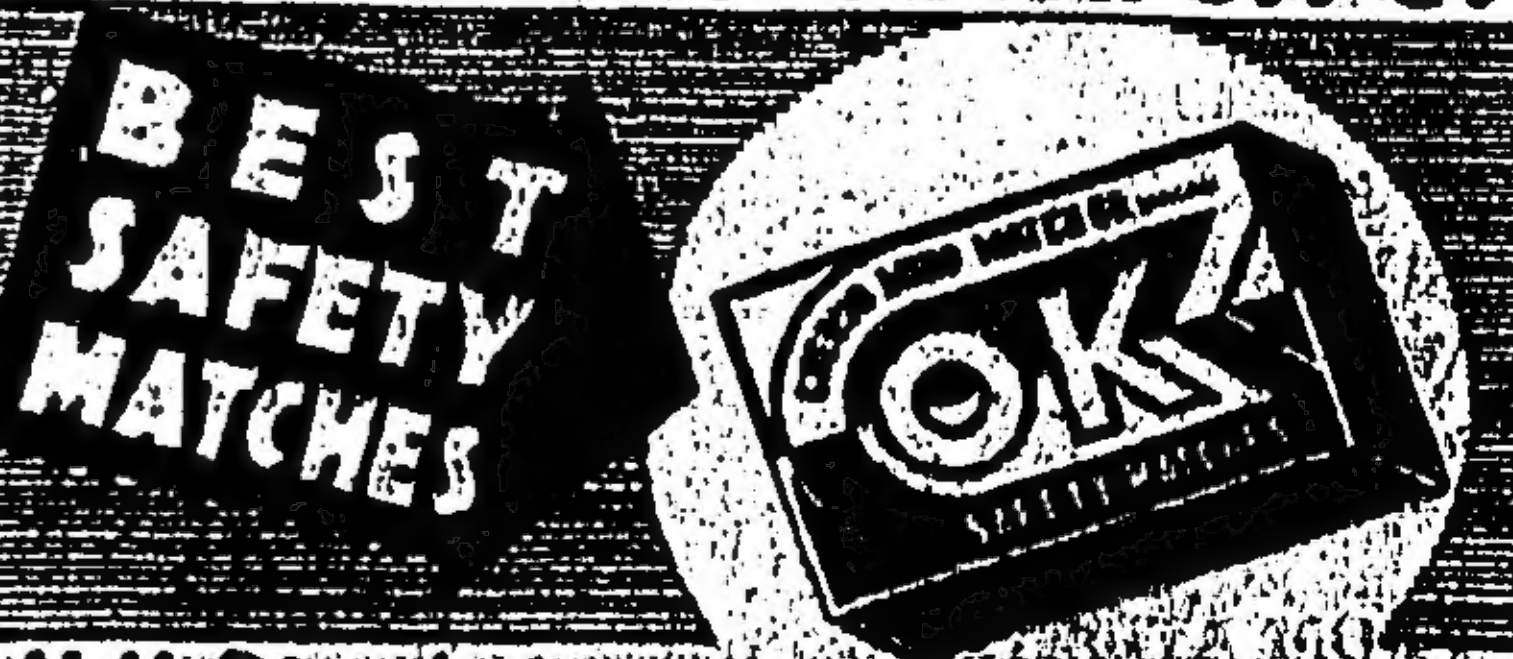
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KWANGTUNG DEVELOPMENT
Joint Sino-American Programme?Port At Whampoa:
Naval Bases

Shanghai, Apr. 25.

The recent visit to South China of United States officials who joined with Chinese authorities in inspecting agricultural, electric power and harbour facilities; today was linked to reports that the Chinese Government is preparing a South China development programme of considerable magnitude.

Both military and economic considerations are said to be involved, with the use of some of the funds appropriated by the United States Congress 'playing a major role. The Chinese and American Governments will be joint administrators in setting up the programme.

Japanese technicians who have remained in South China since V-J Day as advisers in technical developments, particularly on Hainan Island, also will be employed, it is said.

A source close to the Government here said the programme will cover Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Fukien, Kiangsi and Hunan provinces, as well as Hainan and Taiwan Island.

Organisations representing China were listed as the Kwangtung Provincial Government, the National Resources Commission, the National Economic Council, the Ministry of Water Conservation, the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry and the Ministry of Economic Affairs.

The main points of the programme include: 1. Building up the ports of Whampoa in Kwangtung, Tsingtao in Taiwan, and Hainan in Hainan, as top-flight naval bases and training centres for the Navy, Army and Air Forces. The American Advisory Group in China would play a major role in this development, working with the Generalissimo's field headquarters at Canton, and high Navy, Army and Air Force personnel.

2. The tapping of mineral resources, the establishment of small plants for national de-

fence, development of fishery and agriculture, increase in sugar production and the establishment of tool workers.

T. V. Soong, Governor of Kwangtung Province, is believed to have devised the original aspects of the plan, having presented them to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek when he visited the Generalissimo at Kuling this past winter.

The South China and Hainan tour by United States Ambassador Leighton Stuart, Maj. Gen. David G. Barr, chief of the AAG, in company with Soong and others, is seen as closely connected to the overall programme.

United Press.

Defence Bases

Funds for the projects ostensibly would be provided through the sale of commodities to be sent to China under the commodity funds provisions of the \$463,000,000 United States aid programme.

Some of the operational methods and administrative procedures for raising and expending the proceeds in Chinese currency, were outlined in the letter of intent submitted to the Chinese Government at Washington.

The tapping of mineral resources, the establishment of small plants for national de-

Soong Plan

2. The tapping of mineral resources, the establishment of small plants for national de-

R.A.F. PEEPING TOMS

Birmingham, Apr. 26. Residents of a Warwickshire nudist colony complained to the R.A.F. that low-flying pilots were stealing a peek.

They said the fliers were swooping down on the camp swimming pool, leaning out and making gestures at the people below.

A senior R.A.F. officer announced that it will not happen again. Associated Press.

RESIGNATION THREAT
BY MR. NEHRU

Bombay, Apr. 25.

By threatening to resign from the Congress Committee, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, helped turn a probable defeat into a clear victory for the Congress leadership in the All-India Congress Committee here tonight.

The Committee was voting at the end of its session on an official resolution suggesting fresh elections to the All-India Congress Committee. The last were held two years ago.

On a show of hands, there was a majority of six against the resolution. Then Pandit Nehru intervened protesting against the members' attitude.

A division was called and the resolution was carried by 103 votes to 66.

The opposition insisted that the present AICC should continue until fresh elections are held under the Congress Party's new constitution, which was adopted tonight.

Reds Dispersed

The approaches to the AICC meeting were lined with about 100 Communists shouting slogans for the release of Communists recently arrested all over India.

The demonstrators were dispersed by the police after an hour.

The AICC ended its two-day open session tonight after setting

Anti-Franco Resolution

Paris, Apr. 25.

A resolution by the Spanish Socialist Party calling for abolition of the Franco regime and prompt establishment of democratic liberalism in Spain was unanimously adopted tonight during the 15-nation Socialist Conference here.

The conference considers Spain to be an integral part of European unity and that the only obstacle to its full integration lies in the maintenance of the Franco regime, the resolution declared. Reuter.

R.A.F. Visits Sweden

London, Apr. 26.

The Royal Air Force has arranged an exchange of visits with the Royal Swedish Air Force during the next two months, the Air Ministry announced on Sunday.

A squadron of Hornet fighters will leave for Sweden on May 29, spend a week at a base near Stockholm, move to Gothenburg to stay from May 28 to May 30 and return to the United Kingdom on May 31.

The Royal Swedish Air Force will return the visit early in June and its squadron will stay at an R.A.F. Fighter Command station. Associated Press.

Jerusalem
To Be An
Open City?

Lake Success, Apr. 25.

Emergency steps designed to make Jerusalem virtually an open city took top priority in the United Nations today.

Many United Nations delegates have almost abandoned hope of obtaining an effective truce in the Holy Land but seek a way to spare Jerusalem's holy places. Alexandre Parodi, of France, put before the Assembly Political Committee a resolution intended to place Jerusalem under United Nations care promptly.

Parodi's resolution will be debated in the political committee tomorrow.

Parodi indicated that he hopes the United Nations will be able to agree on Palestinian guards in Jerusalem to protect the city if it becomes a United Nations responsibility. Associated Press.

No Censorship
Of U.S. Activity
In Germany

Berlin, Apr. 26.

Gen. Lucius D. Clay, American Military Governor, reaffirmed today his open "gold-fish bowl" policy, and flatly denied there was or would be any censorship of American military government activities in Germany.

"There is no change in our policy," he told the United Press. "The only information I ordered to be withheld other than for security reasons is that of private correspondence."

He said such private correspondence would include personal letters sent him by members of Congress.

"In such cases it would be up to the Congressman to make the information public if he wanted," he said.

The American Military Governor said in the past there have been instances of military government officials giving out information of this nature.

Clay added: "I will say again anything concerning the official conduct of military government operations in Germany is open to the press for public examination anytime. We have not and will not install censorship of any sort."

He said he would notify his army public information chief, Col. David M. Fowler, of the misinterpretation by newsmen of the new directive. He said Fowler would be readvised what the directive was meant to cover in order there would be no misunderstanding in future.

"I think Col. Fowler understands it," Clay said. "He wrote it; so he should. But in case there may be misunderstanding I will make it clear what it means." United Press.

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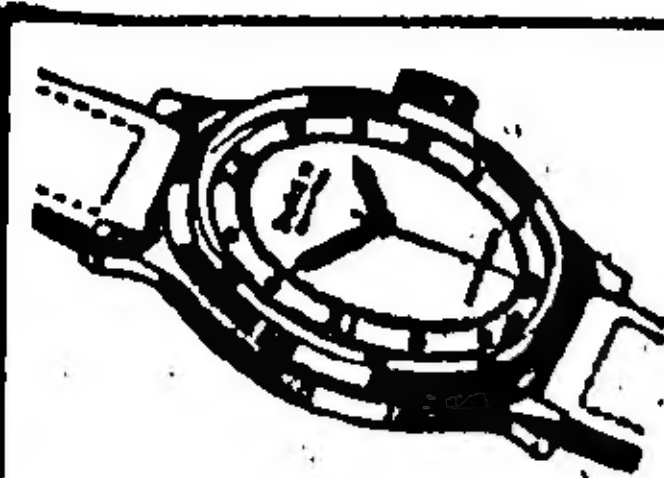
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7 Vagrant.	23 Denude.
8 Lazy.	24 Songs.
9 Transaction.	25 Diminished.
10 Addict.	30 Summit.
12 Daybreak.	31 Emblem of saltness.
15 Harvests.	32 Show in.
18 Principle performer.	33 Rank.
19 Faint-hearted.	
21 Abyss.	

Yesterday's Crossword

Across:- 1. Statute, 7. Room, 9. Stole, 10. Adopt, 11. Vind, 12. Reputation, 13. Keen, 14. Out, 15. Conclusion, 16. Slow, 17. Rate, 18. Unlawful, 19. Score, 20. Accent, 21. Image, 22. Lion.



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BRAVES EARNED JUNIOR TITLE

Socialism Aim In Australia

Sydney, Apr. 25.
Commenting on the nationalization of banks in Australia, Mr. Reginald Pollard, Minister of Commerce, said at a Labour Day dinner at Ballarat last night: "We will go on and on until eventually in Australia you will have a great cooperative Commonwealth."
"Its wealth will be owned by the people and will be operated in a socialistic manner for our people as a whole."
Australian banks became nationalized under an Act which received the Royal Assent last November, but in February trading banks and the States of Victoria, South Australia and Western Australia began a law suit in the Australian High Court to restrain the Commonwealth Government from proclaiming the Act.
After a 30-day hearing, judgment was reserved on April 15.—Reuter.

Drove Without Licence

That he was driving a sick friend was the excuse given to the police by Fung Pan, 23, clerk of the Belgian Bank, when he was arrested by Insp. J. Hayward on the Populosa Bay Road at 12.25 a.m. on April 24, said Insp. J. Hayward at the Central Magistracy yesterday when he was prosecuting Fung. He was charged with driving without a licence and driving without due care and caution.
Defendant pleaded "Guilty."
Insp. Browning said that defendant was in front of Insp. Hayward. For the part of a mile he held the crown of the road and Mr. Hayward could not overtake him.
When he was stopped it was discovered that he did not have a driving licence. He had with him another man who had a licence. Defendant said that he was driving the friend home as he was sick.
He was fined a total of \$150 by Mr. Hin-shing Lo on both charges.

Brothel Raided

A brothel at No. 84, Jaffe Road, second floor, protected by a bunch of pimps acting as watch-dogs and which managed to escape the arm of the law for some time, was finally brought to account when Sub-Inspector Hayward raided the premises at 1.55 a.m. yesterday.
The whole flat was used as a brothel, Inspector H. Moran told the Court at Central Magistracy yesterday when a 48-year-old female was charged with keeping a brothel. Five beds with five couples were found.
Pleading guilty, the woman was fined \$250 or one month imprisonment plus two months imprisonment, the terms to run consecutively.

Tried To Bribe P.C.

Chin Chung (45), tinsmith, offered PC 1764 \$5 to release Lau Fu, 21-year-old female hawkler, who the constable was bringing to the Shamshuipo Police Station at 8 p.m. on April 24 to be charged with causing an obstruction.
Instead of taking the money, the constable arrested Chin and charged him with offering a bribe. Before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday, Chin was found guilty and fined \$100 or six weeks' hard labour.
Sub-Inspector J. S. Howarth prosecuted.

Hawked Out Of Her Pitch

She had just received her "Hong Kong Telegraph" and was on her way to her fixed Queen's Theatre pitch when she was arrested, 50-year-old Tam Mui pleaded when she was brought up before Mr. F. X. d'Almeida at Central Magistracy yesterday charged with hawking outside her licensed pitch.
The constable, who arrested her, told the Court that he kept the woman under observation for about 10 minutes outside the Bluebird Store.
Mr. d'Almeida fined Tam \$30.

Triumph Over Stars Far From Easy

(By "Grandstand")

The Braves fully deserved their title of Junior League Champions by subduing a powerful All-Star side comprising the cream of the diamond artists in the minor circuit.

The Montclair Warriors' victory was not an easy one, with hopes almost doomed the last time they came in to bat in the seventh and trailing behind 5-3, but brilliant strategy on the part of manager Billy Soares enabled them to squeeze in the tying run and four more to spare. The Braves utilized two hurlers, Vic Pedruco being banished in favour of fire-man Chappy Remedios in the second frame, who pulled his side out of the fire by fanning M. Yusuf for the third out while the bases were brimming with potential All-Star runs. Pedruco was nicked for two blows in his one and two-third inning tenure but gave up five walks, while Chappy Remedios, who is credited with winning the game, checked a no hit performance in five and one-third chapters.

Les Castro, master-minding the Rest, started Al Azevedo of the Blue Sox, who retained control of the ball for six innings, but faltered in the seventh after he threw out on the heat with a run and run tactics which resulted in Azevedo losing confidence. Pedruco fanned one while Chappy Remedios, who finished the game for the victors, whiffed four. Azevedo was content to leave the rest to his supporting fielders and whiffed four a Brave.

Disorderly Behaviour

Wu Pak-shing and six others were charged with disorderly behaviour before Mr. Hin Shing Lo at Central Magistracy.
Wu was fined \$150 and the other six were bound over to be of good behaviour for twelve months in a bond of \$250.
Insp. A. B. Fleming O.C., Shaw-kiwan, prosecuting, said that defendants were brought to the station and all wanted to charge the other with assault. As there was no proof of assault he had charged them with disorderly behaviour.
The disorderly conduct originally started in the Government Sand Depot, North Point when first and seventh defendants brought their lorries to collect sand for the China Construction Co.

Yugoslav Conversion Loan Period

The 1947 Yugoslav Conversion Loan period has now been extended to May 31 provided the owners have complied with earlier regulations calling for deposit and registration of bonds, etc., by June 30.
In making declarations owners must state: (a) whether any other person has deposited bonds, etc., on owners' behalf and if so who; (b) whether in addition to bonds, etc., owner has any other claims against the state giving details; and (c) whether owners' property has been confiscated by the state.
People to whom this applies should communicate with the Yugoslav Embassy, 195 Queen's Gate, London, S.W.7.

Stole Car, Crashed, Then Left It

The owner of private car No. 1010 had a surprise when he learned his car was involved in an accident yesterday afternoon. He was more surprised when he was told that the man who had driven it left the vehicle after it had smashed the rear of Bus No. 4128 near the Dockyard, Queen's Road, Central.
Police inquiries revealed that a car turning into the Dockyard caused the bus to halt. The private car following behind ran into the bus, damaging its rear badly. The driver then left the car on the road and disappeared.
Police learned also that the driver had taken away the car without the owner's permission.
On information by the late owner, police managed to catch up with the driver, who will appear in Court today on charges not revealed yet.

American 'War Jitters' Subsiding

Washington, Apr. 26.
The war jitters, which reached an acute stage here last month, appear today to have subsided considerably, but the mood of the capital still is one of grave anxiety about the world situation.

There was almost unanimous agreement that the situation still "is very, very serious," as the Secretary of State (Mr. George Marshall) said it was early last month.

Congress and the administration are determined to press ahead with new defence measures.

At the same time, the capital has relaxed at least a bit from the state of near-hysteria which prevailed in many quarters immediately after Mr. Truman's speech to the joint session of Congress calling for a revival of the draft.

The belief that war is inevitable and imminent has lost ground. That belief was amazingly widespread here last month, despite the fact that it never was supported by any official utterance of responsible administration or Congressional leaders.

Shanghai Hotels To Screen Guests

Shanghai, Apr. 26.
Hotel guests who have no regular employment and who cannot give good reasons for staying in hotels will be closely questioned and investigated by the police in future, it is learned today.

The step is said to be in connection with the tightening up of the "rebel suppression movement" and ferreting out of undesirable elements in Shanghai.

An investigation of Buddhist and Taoist monks, who usually take up temporary abode in temples and monasteries while passing through the city, will also be instituted.

It is understood that hotel guests will be requested to register with police booths, which will be established at various street corners throughout the city, if they intend to stay in a hotel for more than one month.

Police informants indicated that most of the hotel guests use fictitious names for registration and that their true identification has been difficult to ascertain. It is also alleged that many of these hotel guests are engaged in illegal activities.

The police also intimated that a census will be carried out at Shanghai's 100 temples and all monks will be issued resident certificates as ordinary residents.

Royal Silver Wedding

(Continued from Page 1)

As the State landau left St. Paul's Cathedral yesterday, every man and woman in the British Empire looked back on their wedding day as did the smiling occupants of the landau, a little pinner perhaps, but just as much in love as they were 25 years ago.

Parliament's Tribute
This afternoon, a brief scene in Parliament—outwardly the least spectacular of all the day's rejoicings—brought to a climax the nation's tribute to the Crown.

Mr. Clement Attlee, the Prime Minister, in the House of Commons moved an address of congratulation to the King and Queen, to be handed to them by Privy Counsellors representing all political parties.

"Men and women see, in the Royal Family an example of that way of life which unites us all," Mr. Attlee said.

"The Silver Wedding of the King and Queen, who had endeared themselves to the people throughout the Commonwealth, is a cause of lively satisfaction to millions," the Prime Minister continued. "Let us hope that during the next 25 years of their Majesty's married life the world may be at peace and they may celebrate their Golden Wedding in a world from which war has been banished for ever."

Leaders of the Conservative, Liberal and National Liberal parties added their tributes.

Mr. Winston Churchill said: "The reign of the King and Queen is less than 11 years, but, in that period, they have had a very hard time."

"They have had to face convulsions and ordeals which not even the whole 60 years of pomp and splendour of Queen Victoria could equal. Stresses of all kinds have been upon them, and in an unassuming simplicity they have shared the sorrows, anxieties, and perils of the people and Commonwealth."—Reuter.

Message From Macao
The following telegram has been received from Macao to His Excellency the Governor, Hong Kong:
"With heartfelt congratulations for the 25th Wedding Anniversary of Their Majesties the King and Queen of Great Britain, my country's old ally, I have the honour to express to Your Excellency in my name and that of the Portuguese Colony of Macao, our sincere and friendly wishes for happiness and long life of Their Majesties and prosperity of British Nation." (Signed Commander Oliveira of Macao).

His Excellency the Governor's reply to Macao is as follows: "The good wishes of yourself and of the people of Macao on the occasion of the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the Wedding of Their Majesties, King George Sixth and Queen Elizabeth are much appreciated here and I thank you warmly for them."
President Chiang Kai-shek and Madame Chiang sent a congratulatory message, which said: "On this happy occasion of Your Majesty's Silver Jubilee, we have much pleasure to extend to you our warmest felicitations and best wishes for your good health."

Chiang To Control Athletics

Shanghai, Apr. 26.
President Chiang Kai-shek will be chairman of the forthcoming Chinese National Athletic Meet opening here on May 5, according to Chinese reports.

Mayor K. C. Wu, and Mr. Chu Chia-hua, Minister of Education, will be vice-chairmen.

For the convenience of spectators, who are expected to total 20,000 at the height of the meet, special bus and taxi-cab services have been organised.

Fifty different Chinese teams from all parts of the world, including the South Seas and the United States, will participate.

The latest entries are three tennis players from Honolulu. Following the arrival of the Indonesian Chinese delegation a few days ago, the Taiwan team of over 45 boys and girls are expected here today.

Permanents are said to possess strong baseball, softball and pingpong teams.—Reuter.

REDS KILL MISSIONARIES

Shanghai, Apr. 26.
Four Chinese priests and three Chinese sisters have been killed by Communists in mission stations in Kirin, Manchuria, according to the "Huangming" Catholic news agency.—Reuter.

Stars Absent
The special rule dealing with light appeals for matches with the Australians, including Tests, whereby either side may appeal once on any day during any innings, will not apply to County matches.

In these games the umpires will be the sole judges, and they must make their decisions without conferring with the captain of the fielding side.

Many leading figures will be absent from regular cricket this season, including county captains, R.W. Robins (Middlesex), A.B. Sellers (Yorkshire) and P. Grammer (Warwickshire).

F.G. Mann, son of F.T. Mann, former Middlesex captain, takes over the Middlesex captaincy, and Norman Yardley succeeds Brian Sellers.

Don Doolery, a professional, is to lead Warwickshire until R.M. Maudsley finishes his term at Oxford University, and another professional, Berry, continues to captain Leicestershire.

Naturally the Test matches against Australia, the first to be played in England for ten years, will dominate the new cricket season, which begins at Worcester on April 28 when the Australians play the county.

This season, for the first time, umpires are being allowed to "stand" in matches in which their former counties are engaged.

One of their member, the celebrated Frank Chester, is to receive a testimonial sponsored by the MCC in recognition of his services to the game.—Reuter.

Bondage Of Eastern Europe

Melbourne, Apr. 26.
Archbishop Mannix, speaking at a Labour Day Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral today, said the whole of Eastern Europe is now in bondage worse than any the world has seen.

He expressed the opinion that the Italian Government victory in the elections is not final and said he is certain the millions of Communists in Italy who are taking orders from Moscow are not going to sit down idle if employers are not prepared to do their duty.

Communism in Australia is on the increase, he said, and appealed to employers and employees to show unity in consideration of the question.—United Press.

H.M.S. LONDON TO VISIT NANKING

Admiral Sir Denis Boyd, K.C.B.E., C.B.E., D.S.C., Commander-in-Chief, British Pacific Fleet, is scheduled to pay a courtesy visit to Nanking in H.M.S. "London" from May 10 to 15.

The ship will visit Shanghai from May 17 to 27. H.M.S. "London" is commanded by Captain Charles T. Ables, D.S.O., Royal Navy, and is a modern cruiser of 10,000 tons displacement.

She will be accompanied by the escort vessel, H.M.S. "Alert", whose passengers will include Lady Boyd and five other women. This will be H.M.S. "London's" first visit to Shanghai.

County Cricket Preview:

MIDDLESEX HOPES TO SUCCEED AGAIN

London, Apr. 26.
Middlesex, with the most powerful batting quartette in County cricket—Brown, Robertson, Edrich and Denis Compton—hope to win the championship for the second successive year. The only occasion they have done this was in 1920 and 1921.

They have a very strong batting side and expect big things from the 17-year-old schoolboy, Ian Bedford, whose leg-breaks and googlies bear the stamp of exceptional promise.

Yorkshire's bowling, lacking the services of Bill Bowes now retired, does not look as formidable as usual and against most rivals they must look chiefly to their batsmen. Here, much responsibility rests on Len Hutton's shoulders, though great hopes are expected of Gerald Smithson, Watson, Halliday and Lester, who last season made three centuries.

With all but one of the 1947 playing staff re-engaged, Derbyshire expect another season as successful as last, when they advanced from 15th place to 5th in the table. Worthington, after serving Derbyshire for 24 years, has accepted a League Cricket engagement, and is the only notable absentee.

National League
New York (1st game) ... 6 11 0
Boston ... 2 10 2
(Winning pitcher: Trinkle)

New York (2nd game) ... 6 8 0
Boston ... 0 2 1
(Winning pitcher: Sheldon Jones)

Philadelphia ... 0 14 1
Brooklyn ... 3 9 1
(Winning pitcher: Dutch Leonard)

Saint Louis ... 1 7 0
Chicago ... 3 1 2
(Winning pitcher: Meyer)

Pittsburgh (1st game) ... 6 10 0
Cincinnati ... 7 10 2
(Winning pitcher: Darryl Gumbert)

Pittsburgh (2nd game) ... 13 11 1
Cincinnati ... 10 10 1
(Winning pitcher: Walsh)

—Associated Press.

Rance Clarifies Burma Statement

London, Apr. 26.
Sir Hubert Rance, former Governor of Burma, said today that when he stated in London last week that "one of the chief anxieties among the Burmese was the fear of their neighbours, especially China, he had in mind an incident in June, 1946, when the Chinese advanced into northern Burma and concentrated around the town of Myitkyna."

They had to be moved out by British troops.

Secondly, Sir Hubert Rance added, he had in mind a statement by Professor Fu Chao-chin, an official of the Chinese Ministry of the Interior, that China would claim 77,000 square miles of territory in northern Burma, which in the past had always belonged to China.

"The Chinese Government rebutted the statement by the professor, but coming as it did after the troops incident, naturally it frightened the Burmese."

Sir Hubert Rance was answering the Chinese Ambassador at Burma, Dr. Tu Yuen-tou, who in Rangoon on Saturday expressed regret at what Sir Hubert had said.—Reuter.

Rationing In Canton

Canton, Apr. 26.
Owing to the success of rice rationing in Canton, a similar scheme of rationing other foodstuffs and fuel may be introduced in the next two or three months.

Should the scheme be introduced it will probably be started at the time that the American loan functions.

It is also proposed to ration rice in Swatow. For this purpose a team of rationing officials will receive necessary training in Canton.—Reuter.

POLICE BEAT FRENCH

London, April 26.
The Metropolitan Police rugby team defeated the French senders on Sunday 10-3.

The British Home Secretary, Mr. C. Butler, and visiting police officials from Paris were among the big crowd that saw the game.—Associated Press.

Valley Handicaps

The following handicaps for the Fifth Extra Race Meeting at Happy Valley on Saturday are announced:

1st Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (1st Sec.) Class 5. One Mile—Anyway (141), Avon (154), Desert Knight (142), Flying Arrow (158), Jeep Shing (140), Larkspur Lad (147), Lovely Lady (159), Masterpiece (152), Sunshine (148), Tripoli (148), Windermere (144).

2nd Race—Mount Parker H'cap. (1st Sec.) Class 5. From 1/2 Mile—Alfred (143), Bookin (149), Brivisto (154), Constant Star (137), Countess Delight (130), Ding How (141), Fat Choy (141), Flight (159), Good Bay (135), Heroic Lassie (130), Miami Beauty (151), National Gift (143), Priority (135), Queen of Hearts (159), Rosebud (152), Seafire (145), Sino Marshall (138), Souvenir (158), Teowwomba Boy (159), Vagabond King (147).

3rd Race—St. George's Plate. One Mile—Amazon (135), Batfield (138), Black Market (135), Boom Town (135), Chesterfield (136), Desire (135), Diamondfield (135), Empress of Peace (135), Flying Jib (135), Fort Knox (135), Jeep Shing (135), Justice of Peace (135), Kentucky Moon (135), King of Peace (135), Lovely Lady (135), Meteor (140), Nocturnal Sun (135), Pearl River (135), Pleasant Valley (135), Rebel (135).

N.B.—St. George's Plate. If top weight does not accept, the following weights will apply: Amazon (135), Batfield (135), Blue Ribbon (148), Blue Sky (148), Boom Town (135), Chesterfield (141), Desire (135), Diamondfield (135), Empress of Peace (135), Flying Jib (130), Fort Knox (135), Jeep Shing (135), Justice of Peace (130), Kentucky Moon (138), King of Peace (135), Lovely Lady (135), Meteor (140), Nocturnal Sun (135), Pearl River (138), Pleasant Valley (142), Rebel (135).

7th Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).

8th Race—Mount Parker H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 5. From 1/2 Mile—Alfred (143), Arctic (139), Battlefield (159), Blue Peter (138), Cassie (150), Dashing Beauty (141), D Day (150), Fluke Shot (139), Jump (149), Kingfisher (153), Pacific (149), Peace (153), Possibility (159), Prosperity (144), Richard (138), Rifle (138), The Chief (151), Tootsie (141), Trade Wind (143).

9th Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).

10th Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).

11th Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).

12th Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).

13th Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).

14th Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).

15th Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).

16th Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).

17th Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).

18th Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).

19th Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).

20th Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).

21st Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).

22nd Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).

23rd Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).

24th Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).

25th Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).

26th Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).

27th Race—Victoria Peak H'cap. (2nd Sec.) Class 3. One Mile—Boom Town (150), Happy Valley (140), Jeep Lee (159), King of Peace (140), Lana (142), Meteorologist (152), Rashor (150), Rebel (140), Red Fox (143), Spadaway (140), Victorious (143).